Securing DevOps: Where to start and what to measure 

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#whoami

Python, Java
Rest APIS

DevSecOps
AppSec, CloudSec

GitLab

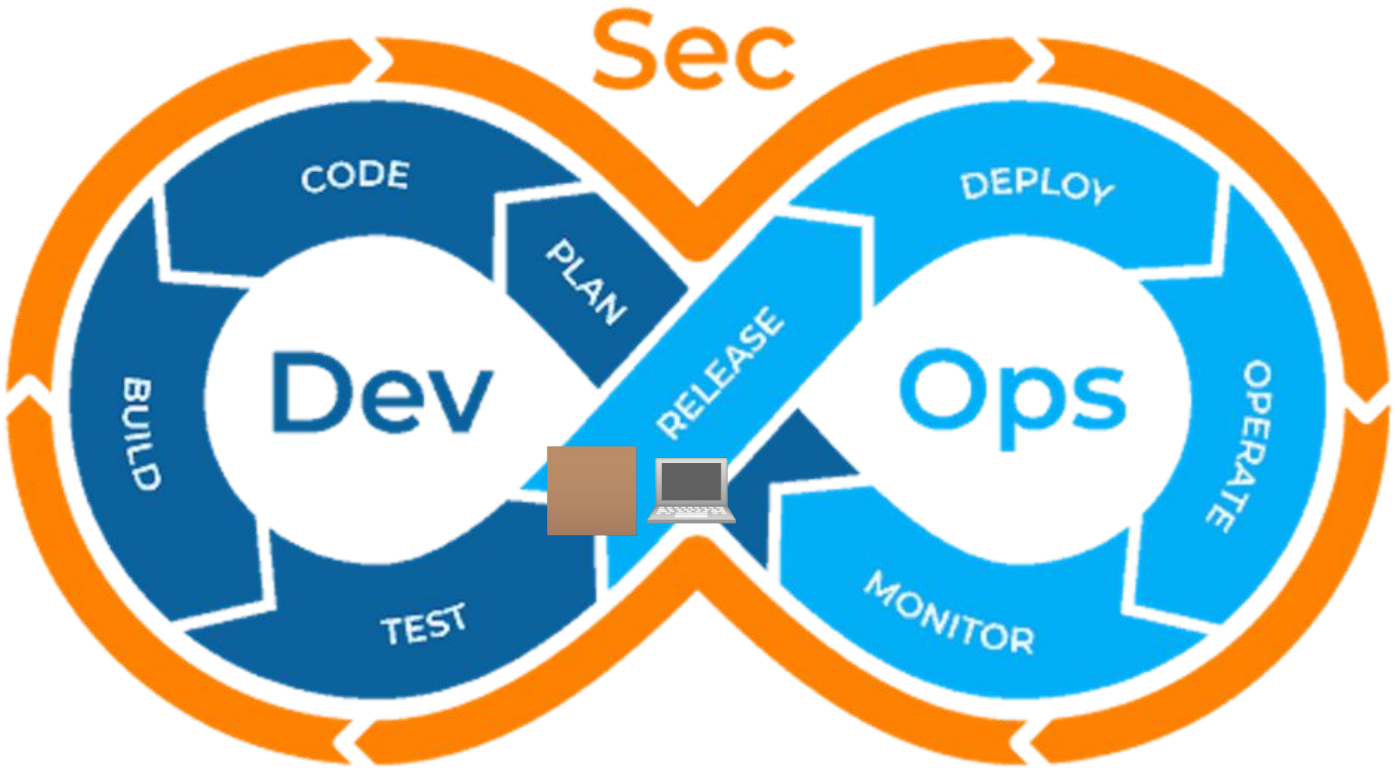
The DevOps
Platform

What?

What Is DevSecOps?

DevSecOps stands for
development, **sec**urity, and **op**eration**s**.

It's an approach to **culture, automation**, and **platform design** that **integrates security** as a **shared responsibility** throughout the **entire IT lifecycle.**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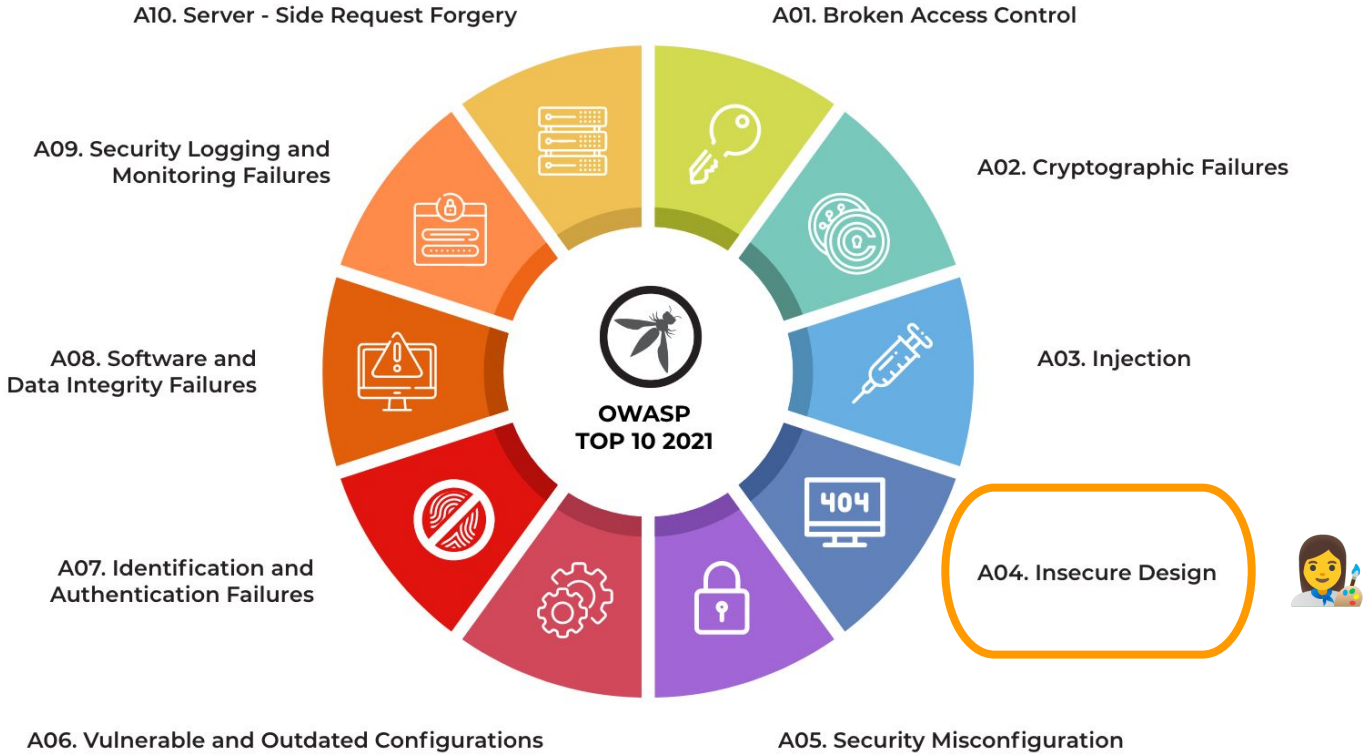
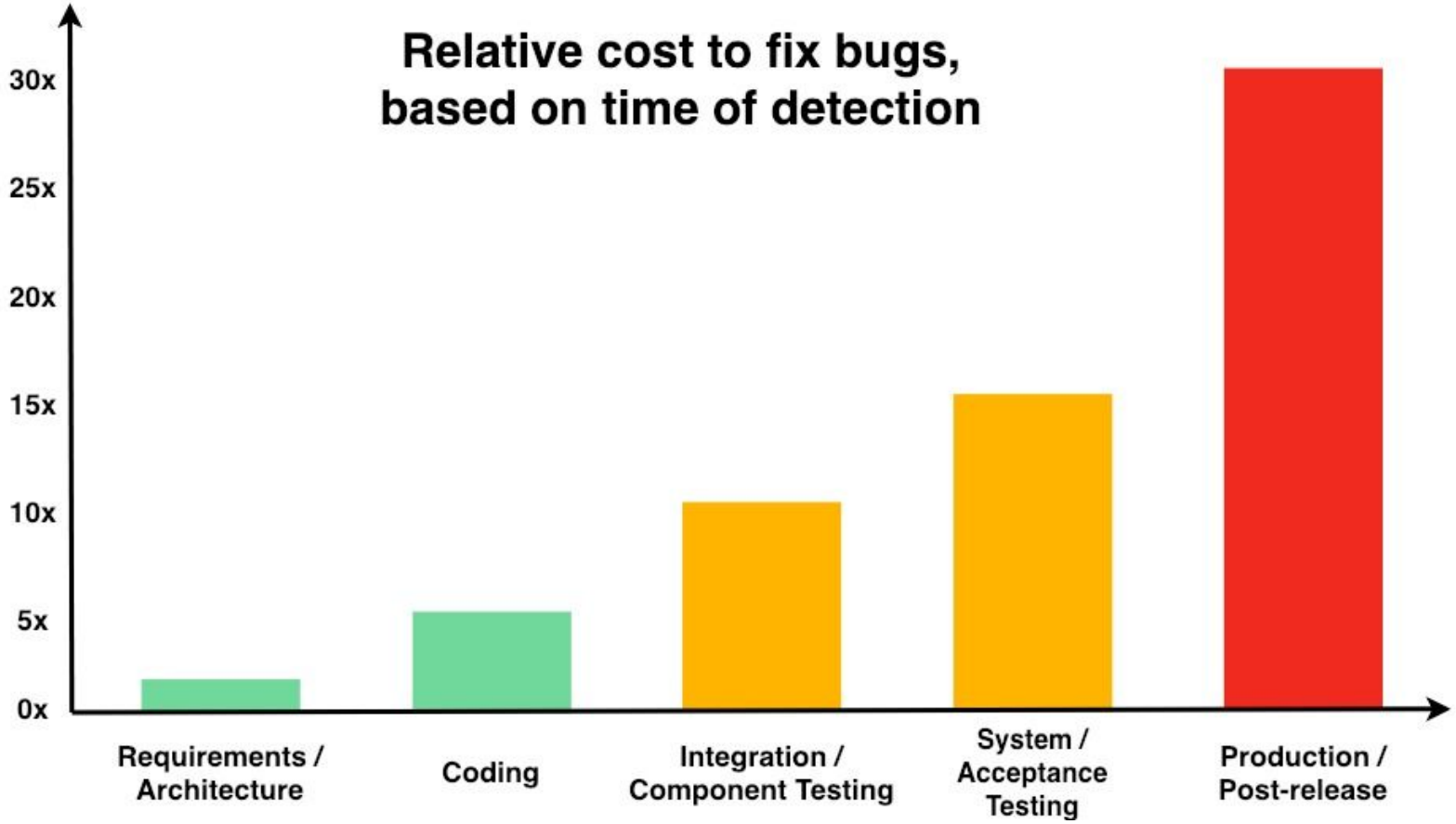

A10. Server - Side Request Forgery
A01. Broken Access Control
A09. Security Logging and Monitoring Failures
A02. Cryptographic Failures
A08. Software and Data Integrity Failures
A03. Injection
OWASP TOP 10 2021
404
A07. Identification and Authentication Failures
A04. Insecure Design
A06. Vulnerable and Outdated Configurations
A05. Security Misconfiguration


Relative cost to fix bugs,
based on time of detection
30x
25x
20x
15x
10x
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0x
Requirements / Architecture
Coding
Integration / Component Testing
System / Acceptance Testing
Production / Post-release

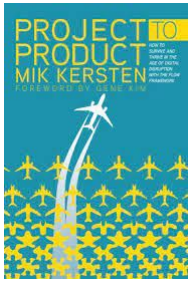
Common Pain Points 💥

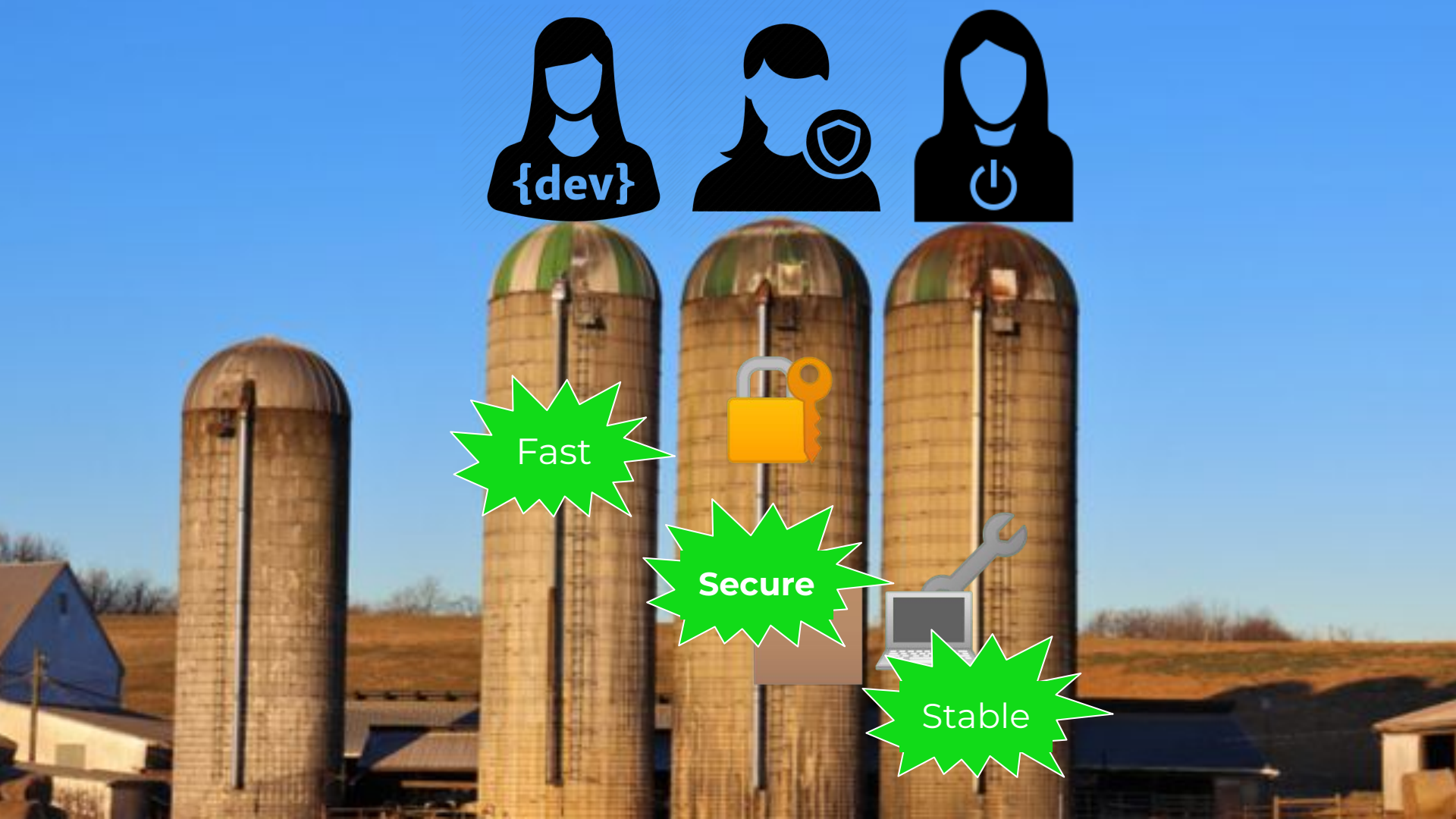
- Security is the bad guy 👻
- Vulnerabilities (known + unknown) make it to production 🚨
- Delays, fails, or.... 'worse' 📉

Who?

Quiz

What is the difference between project mindset vs product mindset ?

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Fast
Secure
Stable

What is Culture? ☯️

Pathological *Power-oriented*	**Bureaucratic** *Rule-oriented*	**Generative** *Performance-oriented*
Low cooperation	Modest cooperation	High cooperation
Messengers shot	Messengers neglected	Messengers trained
Responsibilities shirked	Narrow responsibilities	Risks are shared
Bridging discouraged	Bridging tolerated	Bridging encouraged
Failure leads to scapegoating	Failure leads to justice	Failure leads to inquiry
Novelty crushed	Novelty leads to problems	Novelty implemented

Warstrum 2004


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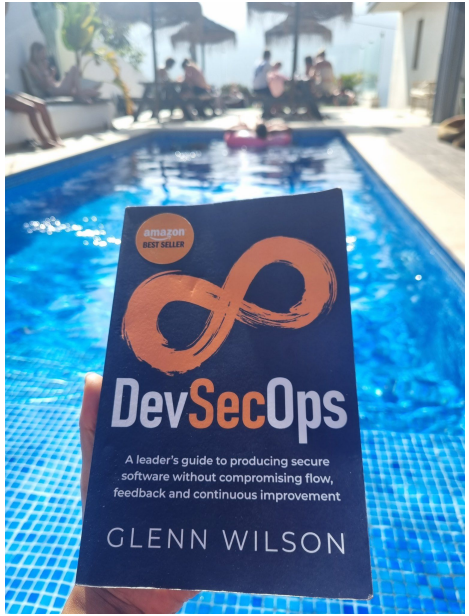
UNSTABLE

How?

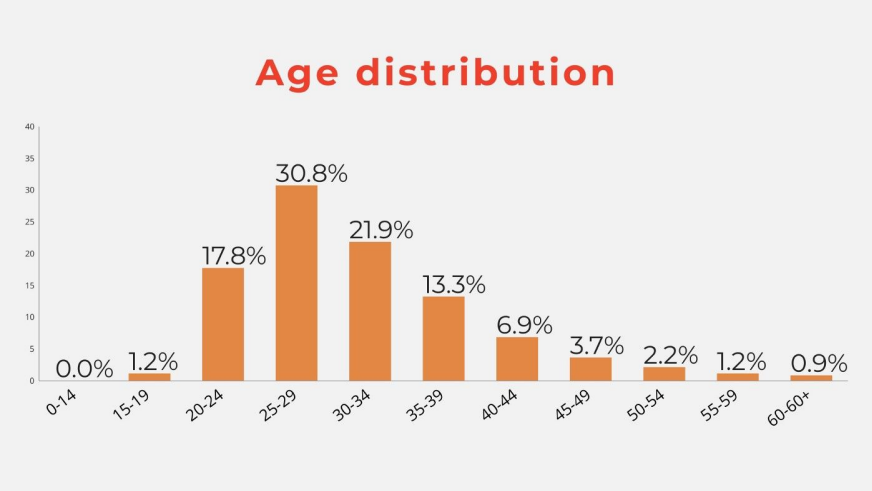
Where do we start Securing DevOps?

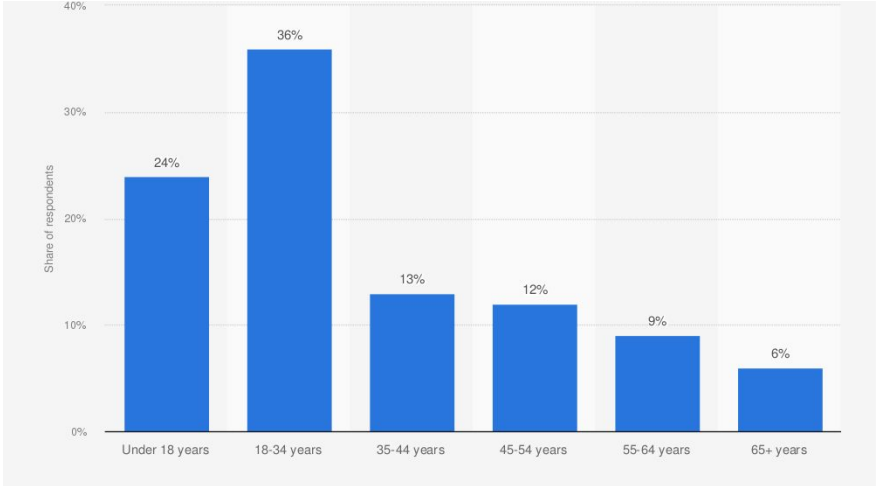
Some useful reading 📚

- 🧠 Education
- 🎨 Secure by Design
- 🚀 Automation



Developers or Video Gamers? 🤓🎮





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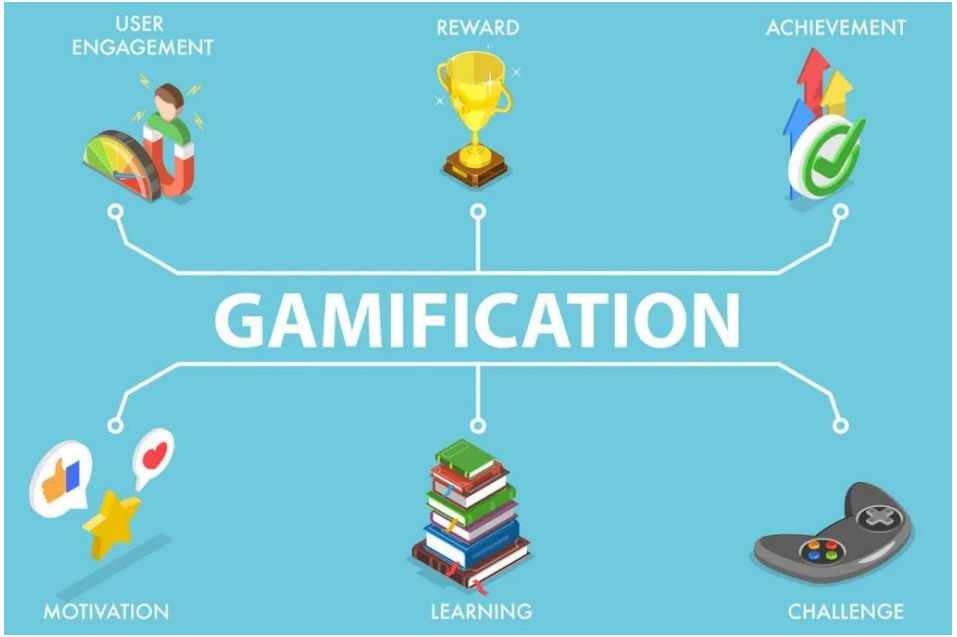

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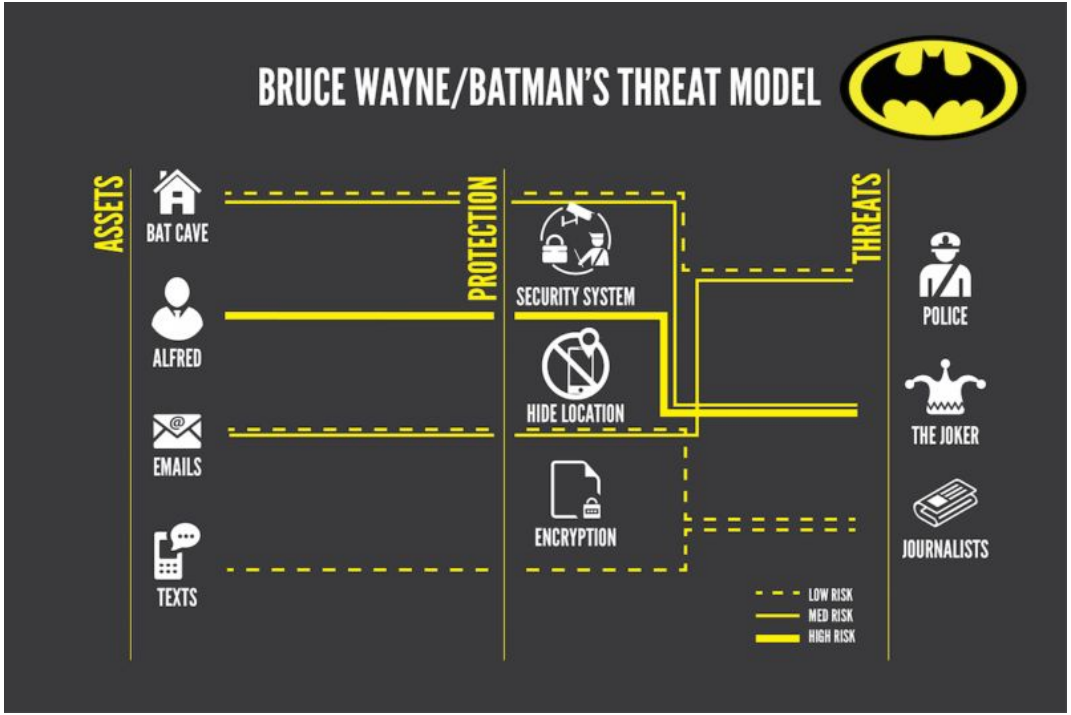
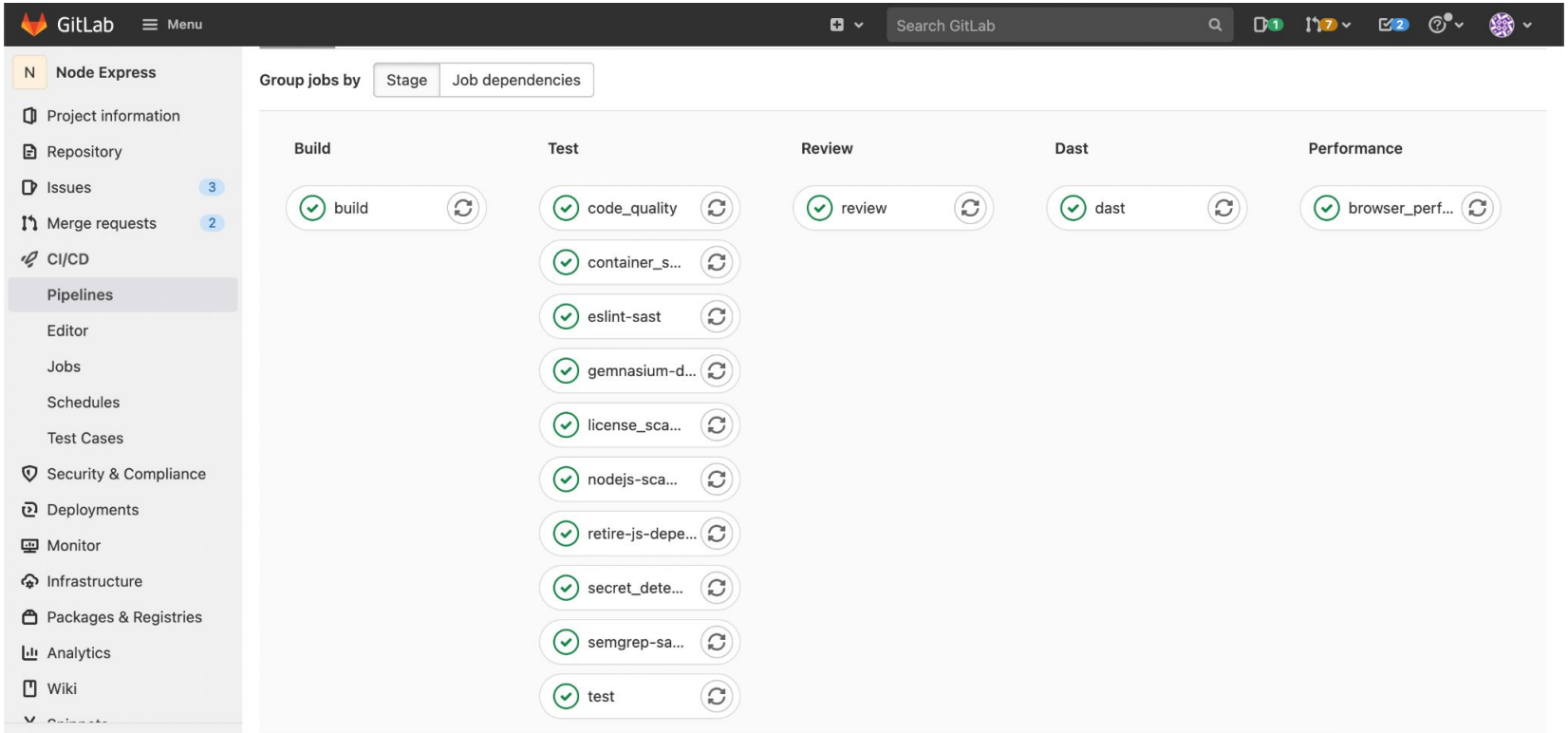
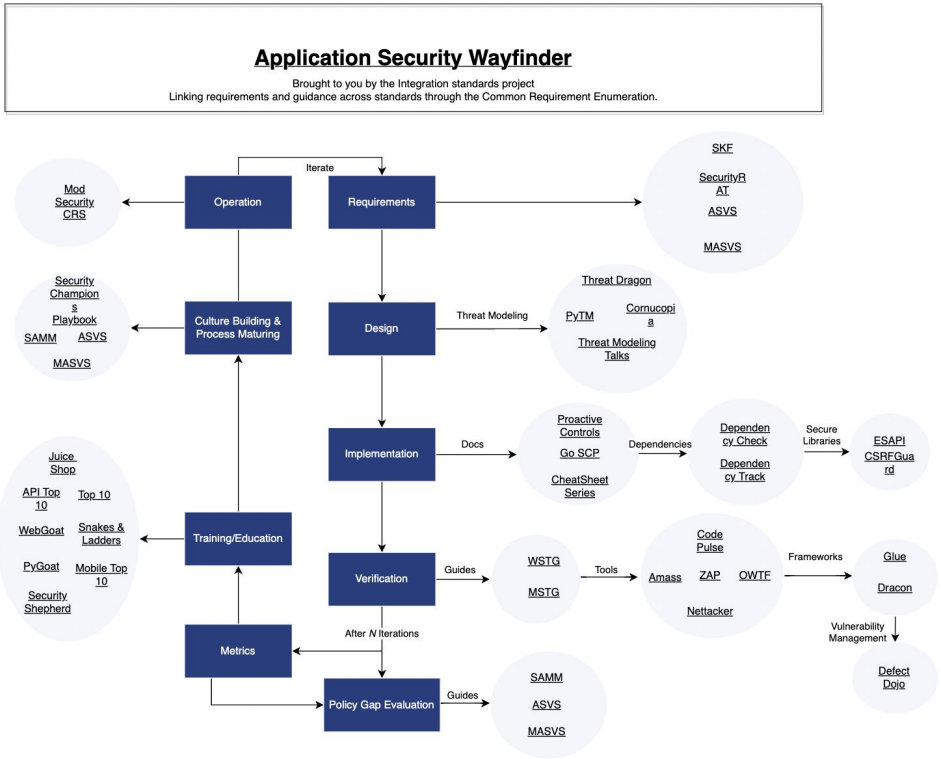


Shift Security Left 🔐👈

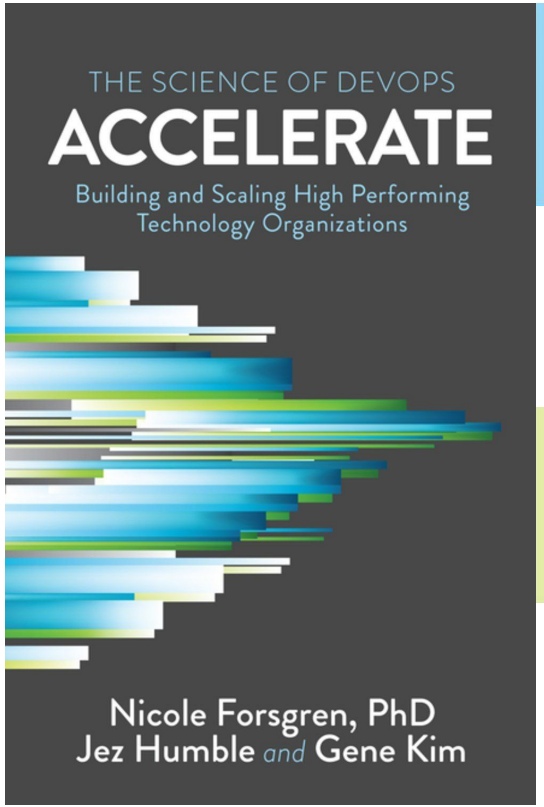


Your Friendly Neighbourhood OWASP



How do we measure DevSecOps?

DORA Metrics 🚀 ⚖️



1 LEAD TIME

Lead time is the time it takes to go from a customer making a request to the request being satisfied. Shorter lead times enable faster feedback.

DEPLOYMENT FREQUENCY 2

Deployment frequency is a proxy metric for batch size; the more frequently you deploy the smaller the size of the batch. Small batch sizes reduce cycle times, reduce risk and overhead, improve efficiency, increase motivation and urgency, and reduce costs and schedule growth.

3 MEAN TIME TO RESTORE

Reliability is traditionally measured as time between failures, but in a modern software organization failure is inevitable. Thus, reliability is measured by how long it takes to restore service when a failure occurs.

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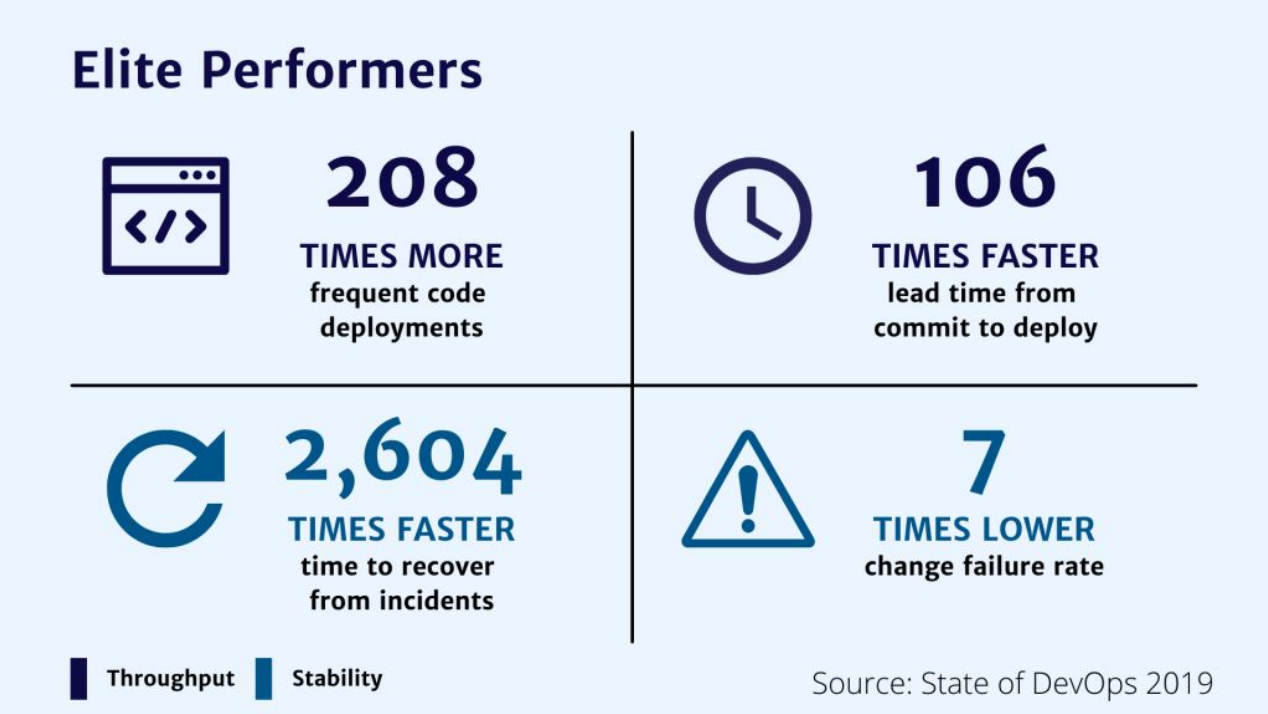
CHANGE FAIL PERCENTAGE 4

This metric looks at the percentage of changes made to production that fail; the same as percent complete and accurate in Lean product delivery.



'Elite performers spend **50% less time** remediating security issues than low performers'

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Value Stream Analytics

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Filter results

Select projects | Filter by stop date | From 2022-02-21 | To 2022-03-22 | 30 days selected

Overview 1w | Issue <1m | Plan 1w | Code 2m | Test 33m | Review 1d | Staging 1h | QA -

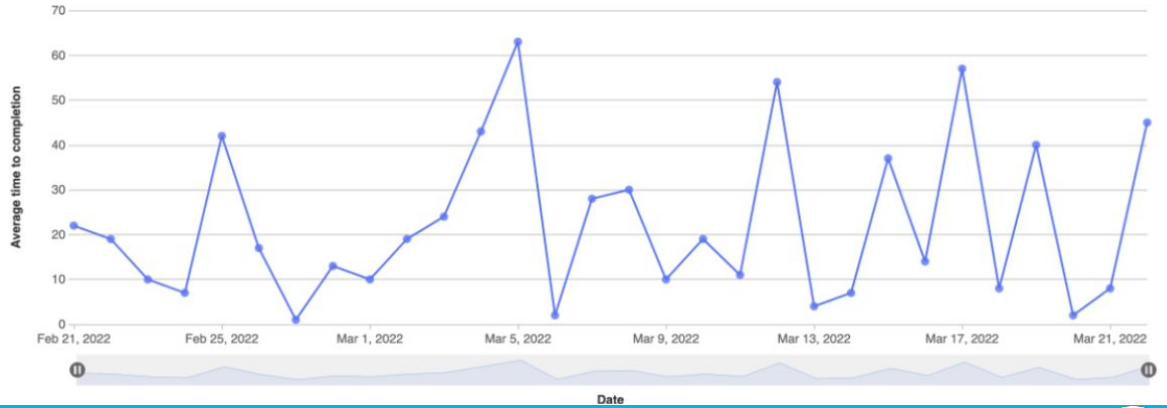
Key metrics

Lead Time	Cycle Time	New Issues	Commits	Deploys
4.5 days	2.1 days	3168	3950	212

DORA metrics

Deployment frequency	Lead time for changes	Time to restore service	Change failure rate
7.1 per day	0.4 days	0.1 days	2.0 %

Total time



Beyond Dora Metrics

	Metric	Description	Associated Domain
	Availability	Amount of uptime/downtime in a given time period, in accordance with the service-level agreement	Availability and performance management; network management
➡️	Customer issue volume	Number of issues reported by customers in a given time period	Overarching
➡️	Customer issue resolution time	Mean time to resolve a customer-reported issue	Overarching
	Time to value	Time between a feature request (user story creation) and realization of business value from that feature	Overarching; ATO processes
	Time to ATO	Time between the beginning of Sprint 0 to achieving an ATO	Overarching; ATO processes
➡️	Time to patch vulnerabilities	Time between identification of a vulnerability in the platform or application and successful production deployment of a patch	ATO processes

https://insights.sei.cmu.edu/blog/the-current-state-of-devsecops-metrics/

Why?

Why DevSecOps? 

- Incorporating security into DevOps helps speed up iterations, we can innovate faster than competitors 🚀
- Vulnerabilities are identified earlier which helps to avoid cyber-attacks 💥
- It helps improve communication and collaboration between teams 🤝

https://developer.ibm.com/articles/devsecops-what-and-why/

Summary

- Take a #securityfirst approach 🧠
- Break down silos, we are all on the same team! 🌐
- Make it fun, automate & measure results #empowerdevelopers 🦸🏾

Thank you!

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